

THE ESSAY IN ENGLISH

- Employment of precise word choice
- Maintenance of a consistent and appropriate style and tone
- Command of the conventions of standard written English

ESSAY SAMPLE

SKILL-BUILDING STRATEGY

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It's time to consider how our political discourse has become so dark. As we approach the winter solstice, let's remember the importance of evidence-based decision-making and the value of diverse perspectives.

• reduction efforts should be at the national and state levels. Our nations' neighborhoods are plagued by high income inequality, which keeps certain communities from healthy options, and our bodies need to make it easier for people to eat well. Obesity rates have been linked to diabetes, obesity, cardiovascular disease and depression, and recent research suggests one

The test of our way forward depends on darkness as well, including 25 nocturnal and dreamlike moments.

reduced light. Other companies are turning greener by simply turning off portions of their public lighting after midnight. Even Disney turns off its monuments at night during the summer to conserve energy and cut costs.



Scoring Explanations: Model Writing

In this writing sample, the student demonstrates a clear understanding of the concepts of sleep and circadian rhythms. The writer uses evidence from a source to support their argument and provides a clear conclusion. The writing is well-organized and shows a good level of comprehension.

From: Overall, this paper demonstrates proficient reading comprehension.

Finally, this writer demonstrates a solid understanding

of Bogard's argument, as the writer's analysis does not move past the main point of the argument.

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effectively builds his argument using list devices.

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Robert Greenberg uses _____

[Insert author's last name] _____

uses _____

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in the introduction _____

This makes [insert author's last name]

[Insert author's last name] _____